# **Johnsonville**

### **Sustainability Features**

#### **Visitors Center**

In May 2012, Johnsonville State Historic Park opened a new Visitor Center. The center houses several interpretative displays that detail the rich history of this area. In addition to welcoming visitors and residents to the park, the new center serves as a well-deserved reminder of the important role this area played as a supply depot during the Civil War, and in Tennessee's transportation history – including travel and transport by river, rail and road.

#### **Events**

In early November each year, the park commemorates the anniversary of the Battle of Johnsonville with a weekend of special events. Visitors can join in a Historic Walking Tour and hear the intriguing Civil War story about Confederate General Nathan Bedford Forrest's tactical victory against the Union supply depot of Johnsonville on Nov. 4, 1864. Other events include cannon firing demonstrations and infantry musket firing and drill demonstrations.

#### **Biodiversity**

Johnsonville participates in the All Taxa Biodiversity Inventory with a special focus on Dragonflies and Damselflies. Park visitors are encouraged to catalog the species they encounter.

### **Did You Know?**

Immediately following the war, Johnsonville flourished as a railroad town when the Tennessee River was bridged to the western shore allowing trains to run continuously between Nashville and Memphis. The town of Johnsonville existed another 80 years until 1944 when TVA flooded the Tennessee River and formed Kentucky Lake.

## **Park Highlights**



- Visited by 25,000 people in 2011
- Located in Humphreys County on the east bank of Kentucky Lake
- The park has approximately 10 miles of hiking trails that rate from moderate to strenuous

